

## CLAIM OR CLAIMS

1. A rotary blade blocker for a rotary-type mower comprising:
  - a clamping portion temporarily clampingly securable onto a lower edge of a deck of the mower;
  - a blocking portion rigidly supported by said clamping portion and positioned within a perimeter of the deck to make contact with a distal end portion of, and to prevent rotation of the rotary blade sufficient to cause an inadvertent firing of a gasoline engine of the mower during blade change or debris removal from within the deck when said blade blocker is temporarily secured to the edge of the deck.
2. A rotary blade blocker temporarily clampingly securable to a perimeter edge of a deck of a rotary-type mower to prevent inadvertent firing of an internal combustion engine of the mower during rotary blade removal and replacement or during manual debris removal from within a mower deck of the mower, comprising:
  - an L-shaped bracket having a threaded clamping member dependently attached to, and adjustably moveable with respect to an inner facing surface of, one leg of said bracket;
  - a blocking member rigidly supported by a second leg of said bracket in spaced relation and forming a gap with respect to said clamping member, said gap sized to be received over a lower edge of the deck and to be there temporarily secured by tightening of said clamping member against an outer surface of the edge of the deck, and to make contact with, and prevent rotation of the rotary blade an

amount sufficient to cause inadvertent firing of the engine during blade replacement or debris removal from within the deck when said blade blocker is temporarily secured to the lower edge of the deck.

3. A rotary blade blocker temporarily clampingly securable to a perimeter edge of a deck of a rotary-type mower, comprising:

a clamping portion temporarily clampingly securable onto a lower edge of a deck of the mower;

a blocking portion rigidly supported by said clamping portion and positioned within a perimeter of the deck to make contact with, and prevent rotation of the rotary blade during rotary blade removal and reinstallation when said blade blocker is temporarily secured to the edge of the deck.